

Tempe Art in Private Development



Centerpoint II, Chase Manhattan Plaza

700 S. Mill Avenue

Gary Slater

Ventana, 1992

Copper and stainless steel

Artist Website: www.SlaterSculpture.com

Description: A 28-foot-tall waterfall sculpture of copper and stainless steel is located at Chase Manhattan Plaza in the Mill Avenue District. Slater's minimalist sculptures and fountains are rendered in steel, copper, stainless steel and bronze. The pieces, inspired by the dramatic landscape of the Southwest, often combine metals, materials and finishes in ways that ingeniously complement the minimalist, fluid forms of each composition.

Artist biography: Slater is a native of Minnesota and moved to Arizona in 1971. He earned his Master of Fine Art degree at Arizona State University, where he began working on large scale sculpture, directly influenced by the Southwest. Though the largest of his works are favorites because of the visual impact, the majority of his works are in the three- to six-6 foot range. He has vast experience in creating site specific sculptures for clients and collectors, and frequently works with architects, designers and individuals to solve the visual needs of a given space. Slater works with stainless steel, copper bronze and other combinations of metals and finishes. Working within a crisp geometric framework, he has found a great variety of sculptural forms to keep his works fresh and stimulating. Slater was recognized as "Master of the Southwest" by *Phoenix Home and Garden* magazine in 2003.

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